

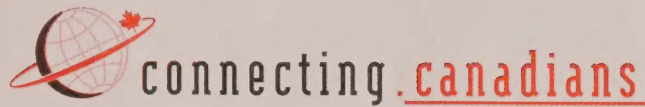
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Canada's SchoolNet is a collaborative initiative led by Industry Canada, in partnership with provincial and territorial governments, the education community and the private sector. SchoolNet aims to provide high-speed access to the Information Highway to Canadian schools and libraries. The program is a part of *Connecting Canadians*, the Government of Canada's strategy to keep Canada among the leaders in connecting its citizens to the Internet. Following is a listing of some of SchoolNet's programs. If you wish to learn more about SchoolNet, please call **1-800-575-9200**, write to schoolnet@ic.gc.ca or visit www.schoolnet.ca.

SchoolNet Learning Resources

The World Wide Web is an immense source of information, particularly for educators. But searching for the material that is right for your classroom can be time-consuming. That is why Canada's SchoolNet has a learning resources section at www.schoolnet.ca/home/e/resources. Linking to more than 5,000 education-related sites, SchoolNet Learning Resources is a great timesaver for any education professional. The site uses advanced metadata search engines and features easy-to-use categories, such as social sciences, mathematics and physical education. You will find everything you need, including teaching support materials, statistical resources and government information sites.

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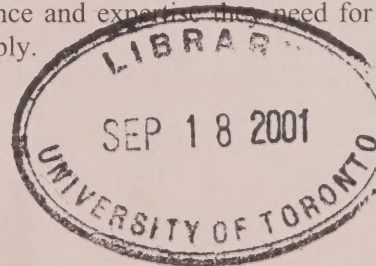
Want to keep up on the latest news and events from the world of e-learning? Make visiting @SchoolNet Today a daily ritual! Every day, @SchoolNet Today gathers the kind of information you will find indispensable. It will keep you informed about the latest online educational events, interactive web casts with famous Canadians such as astronaut Julie Payette, petitions on banning land mines, and educational contests your students can enter. @SchoolNet Today will help you and your students keep on top of learning on the Information Highway. Visit @SchoolNet Today at www.schoolnet.ca/today.

SchoolNet Magazine

Available online and distributed in print to schools across the country, SchoolNet Magazine is a valuable resource for anyone interested in e-learning in the classroom. Our writers talk to educators and students, and showcase examples of the best e-learning models and solutions in the country. SchoolNet Magazine shares success stories and top-notch teaching strategies with educators, administrators, parents and students across Canada. In each issue, you'll find articles such as these: how to do effective online research, profiles of young people setting up interactive web casts, students building virtual tours of their community, and how to best encourage young women to become interested in computers. Check out the current and back issues of the magazine at www.schoolnet.ca/magazine.

SchoolNet GrassRoots Program

The Internet is changing the way teachers and others think about education. Quality e-learning content motivates students, stimulating problem solving, teamwork and research skills. The SchoolNet GrassRoots Program offers funding so teachers and students can develop a wide range of curriculum-based learning projects and resources for the Internet. Students set up online book clubs, post research on ecosystems on the web, showcase their unique communities through GrassRoots Communities@ca, and develop interactive educational games. Through this work, young people across Canada are getting the experience and expertise they need for the workforce. Visit www.schoolnet.ca/grassroots for information on how to apply.



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SchoolNet Network of Innovative Schools

Incorporating e-learning into the curriculum can help enrich any classroom. Teachers looking for examples of where to start should check out the SchoolNet Network of Innovative Schools, which SchoolNet created in partnership with the Canadian Association of School Administrators (CASA). CASA selects leading schools from across the country to be members of the Network. SchoolNet supports those schools' efforts to use information and communication technologies (ICT) to improve learning opportunities. Innovative schools push the boundaries of what ICT learning can accomplish, and their projects, highlighted on the SchoolNet Network of Innovative Schools web site at **www.schoolnet.ca/nis-rei**, provide practical knowledge and inspiration for educators across the country.

First Nations SchoolNet

For future generations of Canadians to reap the benefits of the Information Highway all young people must have the access and skills they need. First Nations SchoolNet is committed to meeting the unique needs of First Nations youth. The program has already connected First Nations schools to the Internet using satellite technology. Now First Nations SchoolNet is building on this success, promoting e-learning within Aboriginal communities. Canadian Aboriginal learners are developing exciting new e-learning tools, including online learning circles, school web sites and Aboriginal learning projects, that reflect the traditional values of their communities. The First Nations SchoolNet web site at **www.schoolnet.ca/aboriginal** links to a variety of educational and cultural resources that reflect the needs of today's Aboriginal schools.

Canada's Digital Collections

Canadian teachers know that their students need access to online content that reflects our country's culture, documents our history and showcases our accomplishments. Canada's Digital Collections at **<http://collections.ic.gc.ca>** features a wealth of online resources about Canada's history, geography, science, technology and culture. One of the largest sources of Canadian content on the Internet, Canada's Digital Collections houses more than 400 sites created by over 2,700 young Canadians working under contract with Industry Canada. Visitors can take a virtual tour through B.C. museums to view the artwork of artist Emily Carr or research the vast archives of McGill University to explore the works of celebrated Canadian architect Moshe Safdie. Designed by and for Canadians, Canada's Digital Collections is a site you will not want to miss.

SchoolNet's Online Educators' Forums

One of the Internet's greatest strengths is its ability to foster communications among diverse groups of people, no matter where they are located. This is most evident in the online forums that appear throughout the World Wide Web. For those in the learning community, SchoolNet's Online Educators' Forums are valuable vehicles for sharing best practices and discussing the latest trends in ICT-based learning. Teachers and educators will find informed, effectively moderated discussion on topics ranging from Teachers as Learners to Virtual Schooling in both English and French. Drop by **www.schoolnet.ca/forums** to register.

Computers for Schools

For Canada's young people to get the ICT skills they need for the Information Age, it is vital that they have access to computer technology in their learning environment. The Computers for Schools program is helping meet this need by collecting, refurbishing and upgrading computer equipment donated by governments and businesses. The program ensures that Canadian classrooms and libraries are equipped with the technology to carry out their e-learning strategies. In addition, Computers for Schools works with schools to create workshops where students and teachers can get valuable hands-on experience in computer repair and troubleshooting. Visit **www.schoolnet.ca/cfs-ope** for more information.



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